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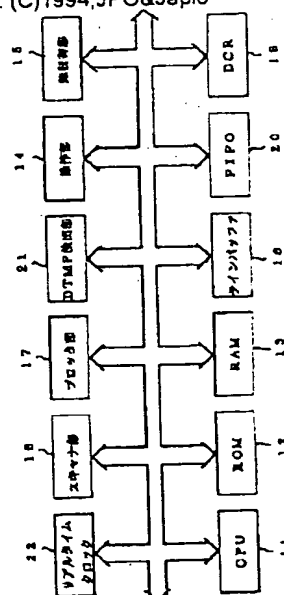
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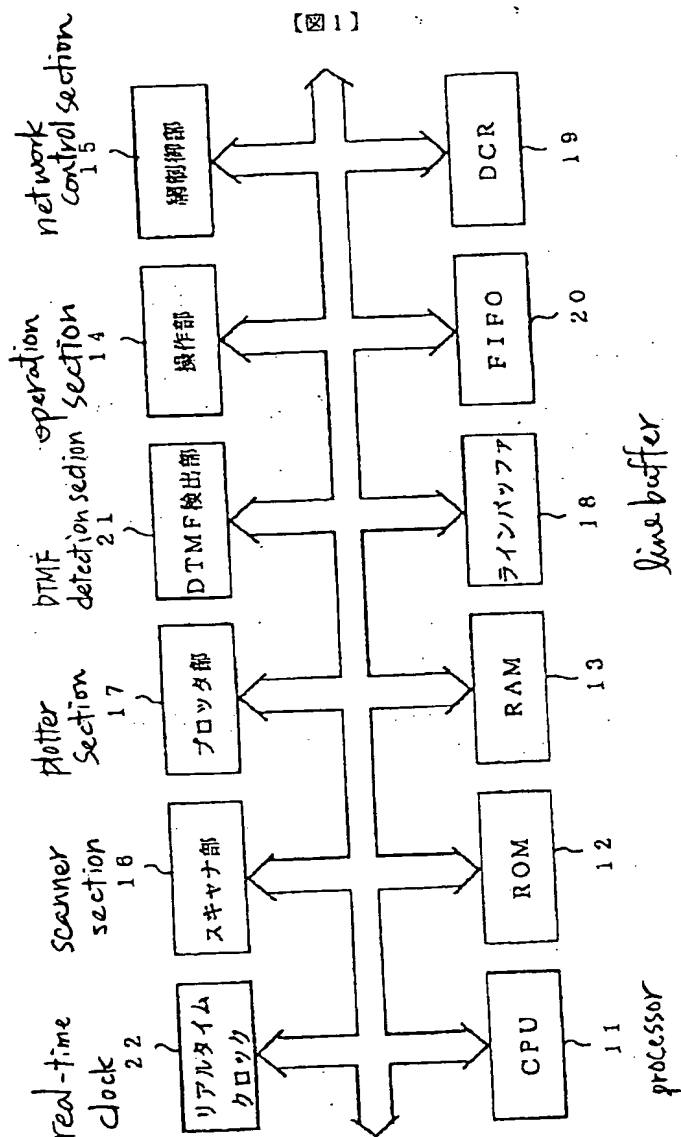
PURPOSE: To easily set the accurate time by providing the time information transmission means inserting the time information to a facsimile signal or the like and sending the information to the other party's equipment so as to relieve the handling time required for setting and adjusting the time.

CONSTITUTION: A time information transmission means is made up of a processor 11, a ROM 12, a RAM 13, a line buffer 18, an FIFO memory 20, a DCR section 19, and a network control section 15 and a real time clock 22 always measures time information after the time information is once set. When the operator inputs directly the time information from an operation section 14 on a sender side equipment, the inputted time information is inserted to a facsimile signal or the like and the resulting signal is sent to the other party's equipment and when no input by the operator is caused, the time of its own equipment is read from the real time clock 22 and acquired and it is sent to the other party's equipment. Furthermore, the receiver side receives the time information when it is sent while being inserted in the facsimile signal or the like and reflects its content to the real time clock 22 as the

time information of its own equipment to set the time of its own equipment.

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